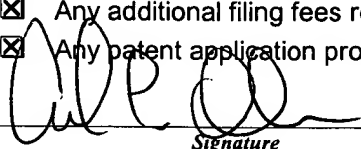



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<div style="float: left; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">U.S. PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE FEB 11 2002</div> <div style="float: right; transform: rotate(90deg); text-align: center;">RECEIVED FEB 19 2002 TECHNOLOGY CENTER 800</div> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.</p> <p>The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"><thead><tr><th colspan="6">CLAIMS AS AMENDED</th></tr><tr><th></th><th>CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT</th><th>HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR</th><th>NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT</th><th>RATE</th><th>ADDITIONAL FEE</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>TOTAL CLAIMS</td><td>26 -</td><td>20 =</td><td>6 x</td><td>\$9.00</td><td>\$54.00</td></tr><tr><td>INDEP. CLAIMS</td><td>14 -</td><td>12 =</td><td>2 x</td><td>\$42.00</td><td>\$84.00</td></tr><tr><td colspan="5">Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/></td><td>\$0.00</td></tr><tr><td colspan="5" style="text-align: right;">TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</td><td>\$138.00</td></tr></tbody></table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____</p> <p>A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$138.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0513</p> <p>A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"><div style="width: 40%;"> Signature</div><div style="width: 40%; text-align: right;">Dated: 2/7/2002</div></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"><div style="width: 45%;"><p>Arlen L. Olsen Reg. No. 37,543 Schmeiser, Olsen & Watts 3 Lear Jet Lane, Suite 201 Latham, NY 12110 (518) 220-1850</p></div><div style="width: 50%; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p>I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on 02/7/02 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.</p><p style="text-align: center;"> Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</p><p style="text-align: center;">Dorothea Rubbone Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</p></div></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"><div style="width: 40%;">CC:</div><div style="width: 60%; text-align: right;">P11SMALL/REV06</div></div>					CLAIMS AS AMENDED							CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	TOTAL CLAIMS	26 -	20 =	6 x	\$9.00	\$54.00	INDEP. CLAIMS	14 -	12 =	2 x	\$42.00	\$84.00	Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$138.00
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